## TWO MORE STRANGERS FROM THE OZARKS

Looking for Excitement in Arkansas City They Find it a-Plenty.

NEW BUNGSTARTER IN USE

ald Man Greenlaw Enforces His House Rules With Fresh Vigor.

·There's things what 'pears to been

himself from what seemed to be a period a had such a heap o' things to tend to be no trouble gettin' either one on what some on 'em was done fo'got afo' they was done finished. 'Pears like th' th Ozarks was left the way they was." respectful attention which he considered lookin' fo'. I don't mind sayin' how he them to deserve, but on this occasion his lawhad had with a visiting stranger who announced himself as an Ozark moun-

medified it It appeared that he had not, for he continued his remarks after he had duly for cating and the other for smoking, and , the tone in which he went on speaking was scornful and bitter.

k was of interest to learn whether he had

"Likely them Ozarks was c'nsidered way an' I won't have it did no mo' to be mountains when they was left the creditable specimens. 'Pears like they grin. was on'y half growed.

mountain 'd oughter have." An' they was game." put so clos't up together what th' ain't tude sideways: Kind o' run into one an- proval. other, like freckles on a yaller nigger's game?"

trank region is that cluttered up with no chanct fo' to d'velop hisself like he'd the back room oncet in a while. nighter. 'Pears like the most on 'em is

characteristics I don't know what you'd prospect.

call in sual course of procedure when Pepper spoke, which would have left them to converse without further interruption from him. But as Bassett arose with the evident intention of manhandling the travelling salesman from East Tenessee old man Greenlaw raised his hand.

"Hold on, Joe, "he exclaimed". "There's een times when I done thunk yo' all was too hell roarin' easy with Pepper not breakin' his neck, but this time he sho' has said somepin with hoss sense into it. Pears like the Good Book was nigh 'bout ight when it says how wisdom somemes comes outen babes an' suckin' pigs. "Bein' 's how them yaps plays poker like they sho' does proves how they must be human. Th' ain't no other way o' provin' it 's fur 's I know, but that's be no easy one. enough.

"S'posin' 'tis," growled Bassett. "That ain't no reason fo' havin' Pepper into our midst."

"Mebbe that's right," admitted the old man, and there was a slight disturbance, after which the little audience settled itself to listen to a further exposition of the old man's views. In the book of estiny, however, it was written that there should be another and a more serius interruption

"I reckon," he was saying, with judicial 'zarkers is mo' 'r less human, like Pepper done p'inted out, 'long o' them knowin' draw poker. 'Pears like th' ain't no ways gettin' 'round that.

"But if 'twa'n't fo' that, there wouldn't h' other varmints what invests the hull pile and his friends all laid down, seeing Ozarkwilderness. Likely it's needful for o have mo' 'r less varmint 'round if

id man's saloon opened and two strang- grasp by the fraction of an inch, as he

Wholly unembarrassed and evidently at home in surroundings such as those graceful way and evinced their familiarity with etiquette by the promptness and self, the result might have been serious ordiality with which they extended an | indeed. invitation to the company in the room to

pipes, gathered in a group it might have lessly into the wall. been noticed that they were examining the newcomers with the same scrutiny which the latter were bringing to bear

it was as if all hands were preparing for developments that were still doubtful, 'nfo'ced vig'rous every time. All sheere admiration for the stalwart took f'm nobody. Them that don't like physique of two men whose like was the rules c'n git."

not frequently to be found. The old man enacted the part of host et forth the refreshments and the ap- the old man said pleasantly: ropriate glassware he cast a hasty glance \*ard the corner where stood the brand lew bungstarter with which he had re-It was if he wished to assure himself that enough."

he would not be caught unprepared in

any contingency.

The others Blaisdel!, Winterbottom and Pearsall-noted with satisfaction that the strangers had the appearance of prosperity if not of opulence.

"We uns," said one of the two, "is kind o' strange to these parts, an' we ain't lookin' fo' to stay in Arkansas City no gre't while, but we done heerd how there was things did here occasional what 'pears to be some interestin'." And he looked around inquiringly.

"Things is sho' did in Arkansas City, admitted old man Greenlaw with an air of caution. "But there's c'nsid'able The New York School Principal at d'pends on to what yo' uns c'nsiders interestin'

"Well, up in th' Ozarks, whar we uns done come from," returned the first speaker, "th' ain't mo 'n two things what's reckened o' p'tic'lar int'rest as a gen'l thing.

"O' co'se there 's mebbe a hangin' left half done in this here world," ob- oncet in a while or a barbecue or a wedserved old man Greenlaw as he roused din' or somepin' o' that natur', but fo' every day we don't look fo' nothin' better 'n a fight or a game o' draw. There was of profound reflection. "Th' ain't no a man f'm our way name o' Pettibone way o' tellin' right acc'rate how it done stopped over here t'other day, an' f'm happened, but 'pears like Providence must what he done said there hadn't oughter 'round here."

"There wa'n't no mention made nobody's name bein' Pettijohn," said an't no other way to 'xplain how come the old man, "nor nothin' else, fur 's I c'n call to mind, but there The old man's utterances were not sho' was a stranger f'm the Ozarks alwars listened to with that degree of come in here recent an' got what he was was c'nsid'able of a man.

"Him an me had words an' he done hearers looked up as if they were really licked me good an' proper, owin' to a interested if not impressed. Certain hick'ry stick what I was relyin' on breakin' recent experiences that old man Green- most enexpected. He come out better 'n he would fo' that reason, but I don't hold that ag'in' him. He fit fair.

"The boys tells me how he done played taineer were of such a character that no a man's game o' poker too, even if luck one conversant with the facts was likely 'did run ag'in' him to'ds th' end o' th to forget them. As the o'd man's previous game, but there was one thing he done opinion of the Ozarks was well known irreg'lar an' there 's been a house rule 'stablished accordin'. I ain t reck'nin on havin' no fightin' did on the premises not as a gen'l thing I ain't, an' I wont have no shootin' in the house under no circumstances. But the rule is now how apportioned a cigar in two fragments, one if there 's to be a fight it 'll be a'ter the game an' not afo'.

"This here Pettiwell he got things back'ards. He done his fightin' first off an' his playin' later. "Tain't no good

"There was some fightin' did later on," way they was, but they ain't no reely interrupted Bassett with a reminiscent

"So I done heer'd." said the old man indifferently, "but 'twa'n't my premises "lord knows there's room enough fo 'an' I didn't have no int'rest into it. All em to get full sized where they was I care about is the house rules an' the new panted, but th' ain't none on 'em got one goes. Th' ain't to be no fightin till the longitude up in the air what a reel the game's over if there's goin' to be a

"That's reas nable," said one of the nary one on 'em got no respectable lati- strangers, while the other nodded his ap-"Question is, will there be a

"Th' ain't nothin' in the way o' that, 'An' the hull face o' natur' into the said the old man promptly and heartily, "if the boys feels like settin' in with yo lorests an' catamounts an b'ar an' all sorts uns. I don't never play my ownself, not o wild critters what a human don't got | as a rule I don't, but there's a game in

No one expressed any reluctance about plumb devoid o' them characteristics joining in the game. Winterbottom's what a human is nachully 'xpected to eyes, a little bleared and worn looking, cleared at the project, and Blaisdell's "Oh. I don't know." said Mr. Owen lips grew a trifle straighter and thinner Pepper, speaking very rapidly so as to while even Pearsall's stolid face brightsecure utterance for his thought before ened up at the thought of the coming he should be choked off, as he was usually contest, but Bassett's expression was whenever he attempted to join in the that of one who is willing for reasons conversation. "Oh.I don't know. Some to forego one design for a short time of them Ozark yaps plays a hell roarin' only in favor of another." As for the good game o' draw. If that ain't human Ozark men they plainly enjoyed the

Chips were counted out and sold to be The majority of those present undoubt- used in making change, while rolls of edly favored the idea of following the bills were placed alongside the various Mr. stacks for use in important betting. Two new decks were placed on the table ripped open and riffled and six eager faces gleamed with covetous desire and the dawn of fierce excitement as the game began.

> It was to be no trivial struggle. Im portant money was in sight and each man felt that all his skill and nerve would be little enough to hold his own, aside from the realization of his hope of gain. And each man watched his neighbor as intently as his utmost ability allowed, with every fibre of his frame drawn tense for the efforts that were coming.

There was no talk. The strangers knew they were pitted against experts, and the home team realized that their task would

Sleight of hand was not to be expected at the start, and when after four mer stayed on the first deal and Pearsall making a small full on the draw got the chance to raise one of the strangers, he drew on nis roll so liberally that the others hesitated and after long study all laid down. Other big bets came, on almost every

deal, without a call, till it happened that one of the strangers, whom the other called Buck, dealt the cards so deftly that even Blaisdell was satisfied that nothing was wrong, and having three kings before sirness. "how it'll have to be 'lowed 't | the draw put undue confidence in them By judicious management he swelled the pot without driving anybody out, and catching a small pair in the draw was undismayed by the fact that both the strang ers stood pat. Nor was he disturbed he no way o' 'xtinguishin' of 'em from when they both called after he had bet his

they could not aid him further. When, however, one of them showed there's goin' to be a wilderness, but down four treys and reached for the pot here's most gen'ly hell to pay when one he upset the table with a quick movement. on em gets loose an' comes out in the shoving it directly on top of the winner and Bassett at the same instant reached And at that moment the door of the for the other, who barely eluded his

sprang to his feet, reaching for his gun. What he did was a credit to any fighting man, even from the Ozarks, for the shot hey found in the place, they slouched up rang out as he straightened himself on toward the bar in a careless though a rising, and had it not been for the entrance on the instant of old man Greenlaw him-

But the old man's bungstarter was in action, and as he sprang forward it fell The company joined. And as the four on the hand that gripped the pistol, dimen, who had been sitting around with verting the shot so that it sped harm-

"I done tol' yo' all." he said calmly as he cracked the other stranger's head. "how there was a house rule ag'in shootin on the premises. An' there's another one what hain't been mentioned yet, but it's and in Bassett's eyes especially there money an' chips what's found on the flo might have been seen an expression of go to the kitty, an' th' ain't no back talk

And after the two strangers got, seeing that they were both disabled for any with his accustomed cordiality, but as he further continuance in the festivities,

"There don't 'pear to be but one way to get along with them Ozark varmints. "Taint no easy job to kill 'em, but yo aced one that had been recently broken. c'n trap 'em sometimes if yo're quick POEMS WORTH READING.

The Search. Long, long I sought for love afait Where earth's remotest islands are I looked within beguiling eyes

In many a valley paradise. I ranged the height, the sweeping plain; My heart I questioned, but in vain. Cities I trod-wide ways thereof Where found I love at last? Before Mine own home welcoming cottage door

Assembly.

CLINTON SCOLLARD.

(One thousand boys present.) These are the men who were: We know not what they shall be Fair haired sons of sea kings Proud and self-reliant Low browed Danes and Celts. Keen witted, strong and fearless Romans who bore the eagles For Titus at Jerusalem Jews who, unresisting. Died there for law of Sabbath, Best of all the races. For they survive, the fittest The past is here assembled Each soul representing Countless myriads of ages

To me is now entrusted wondrous task of guidance. Not of these in mass, But each as individual To change a diamond to a ruby r pearl into a sapphire

of interlocking ancestry

With these soul gems Entrusted to me Shall polish each With loving kindness, ntil it glows with radiance of the gift of beauty God has given it

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## The Gladness of Gladys.

From the Washington Star.

In French the tenor sang his roje:
The basso was a Swede:
The fair sograno—bless her soul!
To German song was key ed!
From Italy the baritone
Had come to join the band.
And in the chorus there were shown
Recruits from every land.
Grave men and serious women, log.
Were listening to the shout.
And some confesses they never knew
What it was all about.
But Gladys, with her sixteen years
And confidence sublime.
Declared, all free from doubts or fears.
She'd had a Lovely Time. From the Washington Star

When through the halls of art you stray Or museums that store The treasures of a bygone day From some forgotten shore You bravely seek to understand You bravely seek to understand
The catalogue you buy
And fix the guide who waits at hand
With an attentive eye.
All wearily you soon declare
That life is far too short
For man to give a proper care
To studies of the sort.
It is not so with Gladys dear:
Her laughter's merry chime tier laughter's merry chime The purpose of it all makes clear She's had a Lovely Time!

When Old Japan Calls

From the Denter Republican Your complex codes you have taught We journey the white man's way. In vain have old gods besonght us— They belong to our Yesterday. But when at the last there thunder Vast voices from out the Shade. 'Tis then—while you smile and wonder We fall upon the blade.

You have taught us the joy of toiling— We knew all the joys of play: You have taught us the art of spoiling. We can rob, and can burn and slay: But out of the dark those voices Still call to the unafraid; And the heart of the brave rejoices As he falls upon the blade.

We can man your grim ships and beat you we can master your student lore. We can bargain your way, and cheat you, we can win from your golden store. The chains of your gods ne'er gall us—we basic in our creeds new made. But when Old Japan shall call us we fall upon the blade.

Another One. From the Baltimore American Down in San Domingo There's a lot of noise:

Once more is the peace dove Startled from its poise: But the way we like things Down there wouldn't suit. They must revolute

Course we'll send a gunboat; We know what that means For the folks who're foreign; Maybe land madnes; 'It's the usual order Which has taken root From all known proceedings When they revolute.

Uncle Sam grows weary
Of these toy wars.
But when they are growling
Must put up the bars.
If they'd but get samples
of governments to suit.
Then settle down to prosper
And cease to revolute!

From the Washington Star.

The man who loves to hear the sound
Of his unchecked, upilited voice.

Would seem to have a joy profound
At hand, when he would fain rejoic
For all he has to do to raise. or all he has to do to raise His great, self satisfying shout, s to confront the public gaze And let the words come rolling out

But every human bilas must be With risk of sorrow sometimes fraught. The man who speaks with reckless glee Must now and then pick up a thought Which words cannot completely hide. Nor quench with garruious disdain. It is a blow to Vocal Pride When it is called on to explain.

The Infallible Hit.

From the Denser Republican From the Dener Republica

If you're starting fiction writing
And you want to make a bit.

Ere a word you are inditing
Just pause and think a bit.

Your receipts will be just zero
If you do not use your head:

Just write this about your hero.

"He saw red."

Do not say that he was hopping Or that anger filled his eyes: Those things never set one copping Out a literary prize; Swiftly come both fame and glory— All your obstacles have fied. If you say this in your story; "He saw red."

Let no other rule obsess you—
Cast the other guides away;
Let this one sweet thought possess you—
Keep it in your mind each day;
Never speak of angry passion—
Such work brings you in no bread;
Say in uitra modern fashion;
"He saw red."

From the Pitsburg Post.
The little fishes in the pools,
Where rushes grow.
Are said to go about in schools,
By those who know.

But this is what I do not like: It comes to pass. That when I fish, I always strike An infant class.

Who Knows?

A rose, a ring, a scented note.
A four leafed clover—little things
And yet these triffes dearer are
Than treasure of a hundred kings.

For gloating o'er this little hoard, Each word and look comes back to me-Each smile, each jest, each trusting glance Returns—then shadowlike they fice. And so I thank my fortune kind
For all the memories and the rose.
And still I wonder—dare to hope
That she'll return some time—who knows?

SHIBLEY DEAN, NEVIN. What to Hold Next. You hold both mortgages and land, Your fortune is indeed immense At bridge you always hold a hand; You hold your sultors in suspense

You also hold opinions sage; At golf you hold the championship: You hold the centre of the stage. And hold it with tenacious grip.

You hold discussions—great and amail; You hold your own the wise among; And you would hold my heart in thrail. If now and then you'd hold your tongue. GEORGE B. MOREWOOD.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Kindly inform me as to the origin, sig-nificance and meaning of the term "squarehead" as frequently used in this country in speaking of Swedes and sometimes Norwegians and Danes. C. F. Kirst.

The designation has come ashore from forecastle speech but slowly. A generation ago while there yet were sailors on the sea squarehead was a designation, half amused and half tolerant but always kindly, applied in the first instance to | Finns. From them it passed, in fine scorn of ethnology, to the Scandinavians. It resulted that for the Anglo-American sailor all alien seamen were Dutchmen and Squareheads if they hailed from the Baltic and Dagoes if from the Mediterranean The source of squarehead does not readily suggest itself in the absence of research directed upon the psychology of seafaring

What words do the letters "O K" stand for and whence have they their origin?
W. D. ANDERSON.

The words underlying the convenient notation are Oil Korrect. It is very convenient now, when it appears on pay vouchers or appended by persons in authority to any piece of work. But there was a sting in O K when it first was brought into use, a relic of the period when American politics, always a quadrennial spasm, had a charge of venom In the campaign of 1828 the Whigs charged Gen. Jackson with being so Illiterate that he surcharged his military papers O K with the idea that all was spelled with an O and correct with a K. This was perpetrated by Seba Smith, an early humorist and satirist who used the pen name of Major Jack Downing. While the charge was intended to belittle Gen. Jackson, it guite failed of the effect sought. Very sensibly, the Democrats made no attempt to controvert the accusation, but adopted the initials as a campaign cry. This incident is here referred to the campaign of 1828 for the reason that it was in that year that it was brought into general use. As a matter of fact, a search of 1824, but it lay unnoticed until the next

I have an old book, "Master Hum-phrey's Clock," by Charles Dickens, two volumes bound in one, illustrated, con-taining "Old Curiosity Shop," published Richard Marsh, 374 Pearl street, New by Richard Marsh, 374 Pearl street, New York, 1849. Am I right in thinking this is the first American edition of "Old Curiosity Shop"? If so, what is its approximate value? I also have three large old books illustrated with many full page steel engravings, called "The History of the United States," by J. A. Spencer, D. D., published by Johnson Fay & Co., New York. What would be the value of the set?

M. B. S.

Neither work appears in the "Auction Prices," therefore it is safe to assume that they possess no interest for collectors. Master Humphrey's Clock" in original weekly and monthly parts has brought such low prices in general that a mere pirated first American edition has little to commend it. Dr. Spencer's history is frequent on the old book stands, a work more pretentious than profitable; the author was a voluminous author and editor despite his clerical and academic

Please let me know through your paper in what year did the late Henry C. Miner own the London Theatre on the Bowery, opposite Prince street. Owen FOLEY. The London was opened to the public

on Thanksgiving night, 1876. The principal owner was John Donaldson, and as coming under the penalty. Harry Miner, it was eefore he became Henry C., had a one-fourth interest. At the end of a year he sold out and began his independent career as owner and manager by building the People's Theatre manager by building the People's Theatre on the site of the old Volks Garten. The London began as a variety house and never varied from that type of amusement until, at the end of thirty-three years, it was sold and converted to the

Yiddish drama. Kindly advise me through the calumn of your paper why the United States is credited with having twenty-seven Presi-dents, Grover Cleveland being the twentythird and twenty-fourth, William Taft twenty-seventh, when Washington Jefferson, Madison, &c., also served tw terms. J. E. Glover.

The computation is unofficial although usual. Mr. Cleveland is recorded as two Presidents in contradistinction to the other two term Presidents because in the orderly arrangement he needs two lines of type This arises from the fact that he was not as here stated, twenty-third and twentyfourth President, but twenty-second and twenty-fourth, Benjamin Harrison intertion Mr. Taft is the incumbent of the thirty-first Presidential term.

In reference to segars and cigars it to be hoped that no one will be tempted to dub you "an old cuttlefish," but any Jerseyman could give a clearer explanation than you have supplied as to the dif ference between a segar (which as the Philadelphian says is properly to be pro-nounced seegar) and a cigar. The exact difference is two and one-half cents. Ir other words, a segar on this side of the Hudson and also I think in Greenwich Village if not elsewhere in New York, is a "twofer," or in remote and infrequent cases even a "threefer," whereas a cigar

How many motions has the moon? says it has two, one in its orbit around had others come in against it. twenty-eight days. B says it has but on

A is the better astronomer. The agree ment in duration of the two movements of the moon, its own proper revolution and from him waited until all the cards were its movement in orbit with respect to the its movement in orbit with respect to the earth, accounts for the fact that the moon always presents the same face. In addition, the moon shows an epicycloidal trace this? about the sun and with the solar system

stellation Hercules. What is the derivation of the phras "blue nose" as applied to Nova Scotlans J. E. D.

Perhaps some amateur of the art of calling whole peoples out of their names may have discovered the origin of this ap-

Regarding the inquiry about relatives named Sopris and St. Vrain writer sug-gests direct communication to Mrs. J. P. St. Vrain, E. Las Vegas, N. M., who was a St. Vrain. The Sopris families of Denver and Trinidad, Col., no doubt can supply information that will establish the rela-St. Vrain. tionship sought. Gen. Sopris of Denver was one of its distinguished citizens during a visit there in my girlhood.

Chionege. E. C. W. says: A bets that he scores three points if the last card makes exactly thirty-one. B bets it is two only.

In its raw state can silk be called ani-mal or vegetable? R. R. Coles. The product of an animal, silk can be S. F. C. says: A contends that he can classed nowhere other than among animal score for a run that is round the corner,

SCHOOL FOR CARD PLAYERS.

Auction Bridge. B. B. says: We are learning the game here and are told one cannot double the partner's bid. What is the penalty if a player does so?

Nothing. It is as if he said he would order up the trump or would play a little spread or any other declaration that does not belong to the game he is playing.

C. M. says: Z deals and bids no trumps. A, sitting second hand, bids two diamonds. Y holds the ace nine and four small spades, five clubs to the ten and two small singletons in the red suits. What is th

Two royals. If he could stop the diamonds he should assist the no trumper. As he cannot do that he must either pass or bid a suit. To pass would be to show als partner that he could neither stop the diamonds nor suggest anything better than no trumps, which is not true of the hand given. With six trumps and two short suits Y should go game if his partner really has a no trumper.

M. M. F. says: We should like to know wins five by cards.

In the first place, the thing to score is always the result below the line when the contract succeeds. This gives A five by cards at 32 a trick, 160 points and the game. The next thing is the honors as held, which are not affected by the doubling. Then comes 100 points for fulfilling a contract after it has been doubled t has been doubled and redoubled.

T. W. W. says: Z deals and bids one no trump. A says two clubs, which Y passes. B then bids two no trumps, which Z doubles. A leads and insists that Z play the hand, as he first named the win-ning declaration. If so, what does B score ning declaration. If so, what does if he gets eight tricks against Z? It is Z's lead, and B is the declarer, be-

cause the player that first named the winning declaration is not B's partner and the hand must always be played by one that he bid he scores toward game below the line at 20 a trick, as Z doubled.

R. A. B. says: The declarer plays to the ninth trick and then shows his maining four cards with the remark, rest are mine." One of the adversaries detects a revoke on the ninth trick, which the declarer admits but insists on correcting, as the trick has not yet been gathered or turned down. Is this revoke

rest of the tricks, the declarer is practically playing to those tricks, whether it is his lead or not, and this establishes the revoke. H. R. T. says: The dealer bids a royal. Second hand holds five diamonds to the ace, queen jack, nothing else. Should he

In showing his cards as good for the

bid two diamonds or pass? Pass. Why assume a contract that cannot win just because another player has

made a bid?

C. B. E. says: During the play, A having made four tricks in succession against a no trumper, hesitates and turns up the a no trumper, nestrates and turns up the last trick to look at it, upon which his partner, B, says to him, "Don't forget that I bid a club." The declarer objects that this is directing his partner what to play and comes under the law relating to incidents of the play, and contends that he can call a suit

The declarer is right, under law 96, new 94, which specifies naming a previous bid

Three hand auction. E. F. M. says deals and makes an original bid of two clubs. B says one no trump and C passes. A insists that B's bid must be two no rumps to overcall two clubs but B con

of C, because C is not yet his partner and may never be if B does not get the win-ning declaration. Such a rule leaves the way open for B to show a suit without penalty. Suppose, he says, that A bids no trump, having no protection in hearts, and B says one heart, which C promptly passes. A may go back to his no trumper, but B has told C what to lead. A con-tends that such a situation should not be some place in Siberia, or to improve a allowed without some penalty against the player making a bid without any inten-tion of playing it, and asks for the opinion

of THE SUN on the point raised. There does not seem to be any reason for questioning the decision of the Whist Club in the matter. If C is a silent partner of B's in a conspiracy against A. al that A has to do is to refuse to go back to his no trumper when B bids a heart and B will have to play it. If A is weal in hearts and knows that B has that suit he would be foolish to go on with his no trumper unless he could stop the heart suit or ignore it. A is in error in saying that B would be snowing C what to lead. as it would be B's lead if A played the hand, and if he did not lead hearts himself he might never get into the lead again

or C might not win a trick. Poker. J. G. R. says: A opened the r by mistake, nothing but facks being played, and no one came in. On being asked to show his openers it was found he did not have them. Does he take out his opening

It stays in the pot as penalty for the false opening, just as it would have done

yet received four cards. The third player he must ask the dealer to draw one, as he has not seen them. Can A insist on

shows the progression toward the con- the players has made a bet, so that nel- trenched, comprises an area of some 212,000 any option in the matter.

J. K. says: During the deal A remarks inhabitants to the square mile. back as it is slightly soiled. B objects that others may hear such a remark and profit by it. Can B reject the named card and have another in its place?

told from another by the back is void.

There is no extra point for the last

December 5, 1876; the play that night of a sequence, acc. deuce, trey, and can-was the "Two Orphans," with Kate not rank next the king under any circum-

FRENCH CAPITAL TO REBUILD in operation around Moscow, which owing MOSCOW.

Paris, September 14. RENCH capital is to rebuild Moscow, and the city the Russians burned a century ago in order to prevent the conqueror of Europe, Napoleon, Emperor of the French. from taking possession of it, is to be made

one of the most beautiful in the world. Moscow was the commencement of Napoleon's downfall, the first serious setback for his army, but Moscow is to-day o represent a triumph for French capitalists who are to undertake one of the most colossal enterprises of the centuryto rebuild and beautify the religious capital of the Russians, the splendid Oriental town where eastern and western Russia come together.

To her financiers and not to her warriors astonishing. For the masses the alliance between the two nations was a sentimental affair. The French were supposed to the proper score for this result: The bld- affair. The French were supposed to ding has pushed A up to four hearts, have fallen in love with the Russians which Z has doubled. A redoubles and and without further ceremony they locked arms and defled Germany. In reality the alliance was formed

account of prosaic, mutual interests. profitable investment, for it must always which are successfully raised. be remembered that no French maney has been lost in Russia and that French and redoubled, and finally 100 points more deed, so great have been the material for winning a trick over the contract when advantages reaped by the placing of capital in Russia that the last two big Russian enterprises offered to French investors were oversubscribed more than ten times each and vet they were private enterprises without the Government backing so dear to French capitalists large and small.

The socialistic press has for several years been clamoring against the exportation of French capital into Russia and it was as much to investigate personally Major Jack Downing's dreary writings or other of the partners who make the to learn from Frenchmen on the spot shows that he invented the incident in highest bid. If B makes the two by cards how secure French investments were in reality, as to discuss politics and the dual alliance policy that M. Poincaré went to Russia. M. Poincaré was formerly Minister of Finances and had financial interests of the country. His rapid trip to Moscow wsa made as

much to take a quick glance at the city of the prospects in Siberia. So glowing Moscow and to confer with the big French were the accounts he sent back that Eagmasters of industry and commerce estabto the famous old city where, to quote had been done in the Moscow region the Russians, "the heart of the nation The Baron de Batz of the great Freech gave the President of the Republic and enterprising financial institution in France of Russian prosperity, and particularly gold flowed into Siberian enterprizes. of the French enterprises. "One of our countrymen," said M

Poincaré, 'is at the head of a great industrial enterprise in Moscow employing and the gold mines are a guarantee of more than 6,000 men." Few persons realize what magnificent enterprises French capital has built up in Russia. Upon this point M. Poincaré

especially insists and he has given the way. decoration of the Legion of Honor to M. enterprises in Russia-M. Darcy in St. Petersburg, M. Giraud in Moscow.

chased by the group, and the work of im- cars, painted white and loaded to their proving the city will be commenced as soon as the Czar signs the necessary days from the butter district and the papers permitting the operation. teed by the group of capitalists, but the Manchester. I believe I am correct in public at large will be allowed to sub-Moscow, as the syndicate will place steek and successful cooperative organization in the enterprise on the market. Nothing for exploiting dairy products in common. equals the popularity of Russian securilittle capitalists who will refuse a gilt- France in Government loans but it would

prosperity the Russian Empire is destined o have by the sheer force of natural developments. For some years Russia has been reprecavern in which the most abominable a quarter of a billion and more of French social crimes were committed under the money to go to the rebuilding of Moscow. direction of a terrible tyrant held in slavery by a court devoted to infernal overworked subjects was dissipated in France was used to bribe every one connected with the imperial court.

and has been obliged to reorganize her administration and mode of government. There have been spells of revolutionary agitation and political unrest; but as to pressions all over Russia. the wealth of Russia, that remains intact. Not even a series of revolutions could inaugurated and will contain all kinds of devastate the land nor empty the mines souvenirs of the war. There will be

of their riches. Russia is, one might say, in the situa- and the busts of the Bonaparte family, tion of a great landed proprietor possess- which were at the Isle of Elba and are ing mines of untold wealth, unlimited attributed to Canova. There will be left and took a peep at each card dealt forests, abundant oil wells. To develop pictures and paintings and canon and him. As soon as he saw three tens he opened the pot, although no one had as yet received four cards. The third player is what French money is striving to acon the battlefield. There will be a great complish-and one must remember that Russia comprises one-sixth of the conas he had been given six eards. A bets tinental part of the globe, covering twothirds of Europe and one-third of Asia. The industrial region of Moscow or

what is known as the upper Volga region. There must be a new deal if one of where French capital is most firmly enther A nor the third man from him has square miles and a population of 11,000,000 people, that is to say, about twenty-five to his neighbor, B. "I see you got the king population is almost exclusively Russian, of clubs this time," and on being asked the other races, representing about 3 for an explanation says he knows it by the per cent, of the total, being Finns or Tatars.

Agriculture is by no means the principa occupation of the people. On the contrary nowhere else in Russia and in few B's remedy is to demand a new deal with a perfect pack, as any deal made places in Europe is industry so intense with a pack in which one card can be and so prosperous. The manufacturing establishments of the region produce some 700,000,000 rubles of products Cribbage, E. C. W. says: A bets that and employ more than half a million of he scores three points if the last card people.

card people. The development of these Muscovite industries is almost incredible, although practically unknown to the world at large. This is due not only to the facilities for obtaining labor but also to the immense

list. All kinds of small industries are also uously so that it is in full view.

to her geographical situation enjoys ex ceptional conditions for manufacturing and exportation and is thus the rich in

dustrial centre of the Muscovite empire Means of communication, both by rail and by water, are excellent at Moscow Navigable streams forming part of the upper Volga system connect Moscow on one side with the basin of the Volga and its affluents and the Caspian Sea and on the other canals and lakes form a water

way to St. Petersburg. As to the railroads they comprise ten lines leaving Moscow in every direction with secondary branch lines and connections with local lines. The entire system of Moscow's railroad lines covers some four thousand miles, while the routes of

navigation extend over 3,000 miles. South of this industrial region is the agricultural district known as the Muscovite granary, extending over nearly France owes her prestige in Russia and 300,000 square miles and with a population the hold of the great capitalists of the of 15,000,000. These lands for the mos republic on Russia is as powerful as it is part belong to the various villages and towns of the region and are a perpetual possession and cannot be disposed of even by the villages and towns in question Although much of the land is outurally poor in quality it has been so well ex ploited by the inhabitants or by the small proprietors owning patches of ground that it produces a large excess of wheat Russia needed money, France a field for and other products, particularly beets,

In this region are large sugar refineries; huge mills and numbers of distilleries enterprises established in Russia have giving employment to more than 130,000 enjoyed uninterrupted prosperity. In- people and turning out products worth one hundred and fifty millions of roubles Commerce in the region is naturally very important and occupies millions of French capital. Immense private fortunes have been built up by Frenchmen

in and about Moscow, and the city is far

more attractive, more cosmopolitan,

than St. Petersburg, and one readily understands the desire in France to aid in improving and beautifying it From Moscow French capital is pushing ahead into Siberia, which is so modernized that at Irkutsk and other large the state of Russian national prosperity, Siberian towns the buildings are more up to date and life more cosmopol'tan

than in many towns in Europe and Amer-Manufactures and industrial enterprises have been rapidly invading Siberia since 1905. England, always keenly awake previously been identified with all the big to trade advantages, sent M. H. Cooke on a special mission to Siberia with a view to informing Englishmen concerning lish enterprise sought French capital ished there as to make a visit of courtesy and commenced doing in Siberia what beats." On his return the Prime Minister Banque de Paris et Pays-Bas, the most the Cabinet members glowing accounts made a study of Siberia and Freich Traversed by the Transsiberian Railroad. Siberia affords an almost inexhaustible field for enterprises of every description,

> lasting prosperity. What is remarkable is that all enter prises undertaken in Russia have been conceived in the latest, most up to date

For example, in buttermaking Siberta Darcyand M.Giraud, two of the most promis ahead of the majority of European inent Frenchmen engaged in industrial and American concerns. In the first place the Russian farmers have formed corporations for marketing this butter. The project to rebuild the western They are thus able to ship butter to Lon-section of Moscow in such a manner as to make the city one of the most beautiful and every week from four to six special in the world was conceived by a group trains, made up of refrigerator cars of of French capitalists who are represented the latest model, leave Siberia with butte by the Banque de l'Union Parisien. Im- for England. Each train is composed of mense tracts of property have been pur-twenty-five or twenty-six refrigerator utmost capacity. The trip takes eight principal markets for the product are at The funds for the enterprise are guaran- Copenhagen, London, Hamburg and scribe toward the work of beautifying have the farmers formed such a powerful

During the last fifteen years Russia has ties, state and industrial, in France, and borrowed seventeen billions of france from edged American security will subscribe be difficult, indeed impossible, to estimate all they possess to build a new bridge at what amount of French capital has been invested in private enterprises in Russia town like Moscow. Indeed every one in or how great an exodus of capital toward Europe is wide awake to the immense Russia the next decade will witness. It is therefore not at all surprising that the President of the French Council of State, M. Poincaré, thought it wise to take a look at the Moscow region and rapidly sented to the world as a kind of gigantic study conditions before tacitly allowing

By a strange coincidence, while French capital is preparing for this new daring works. In this cavern the gold earned by flight to Moscow and another financial conquest, the romantic old city is prewild orgies and the gold borrowed from paring to celebrate magnificently the centenary of the defeat of Napoleon and the French army in 1812. All the Such legends have been freely circulated superb Verestenagin pictures vividly and largely credited. Russia has had her recalling the Napoleonic campaign in financial crises and an unfortunate war Russia have been sent to the city as an inspiration for the inhabitants-perhaps also as a consolation for the disastrous Russo-Japanese war left painful im-

> At the Kremlin the 1812 Museum will be statues of Napoleon and of Alexandier I. commemorative ceremony in which French officers descended from chiefs of Napoleon's army with play an important part.

## SNAKE SKINS IN WOMEN'S BOOTS.

Fashion seems to be anxious to introduce snake skins as desirable materials for wearing apparel. The bluish grey skin of the python is already largely used for the uppers of women's boots, for slippers, belts, handbags and the handles of walking sticks and umbrelias. Now, according to a well known dressmaker, it may be used for dresses, especially as the anaconda skin has become quite popular for motor coats. It looks as if English sportsmen and officers on shooting parties the snakes they encounter to their fale friends back in London, just as they new occasionally ship a crocodile hide to some man friend so that he may have it made

up into a travelling bag. The lizard skin too, is being used for many purposes at the present time and it and the snake skin have risen consider-

ably in price. what was the date of the Brooklyn heatre fire?

Leonard Mayer.

December 5, 1876; the new that is round the corner, like king, acc, deuce, as the acc comes high or low as you like.

A is mistaken as to the acc being high or low as you like in cribbage, because it is never anything but the lowest card.

Market for manufactured products in Russia and Siberia.

Another midsummer madness is the new fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the midsummer madness is the new fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the midsummer madness is the new fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products into manufactured products in the midsummer madness is the new fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the midsummer madness is the new fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the madness is the new fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the fancy for wearing furs at this time of year. Side by side with millinery of fluctured products in the fancy for wearing furs at the fanc but that it imports large quantities of raw most ethereal of white frocks escapes the materials, cotton and silk leading in the finger width fur edging arranged conspic-